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(Electronic Voice Phenomenon)

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Some rather strange events have occurred lately which I would like to tell you about. I was given the address of a Mr English who I was told might be interested in the newsletter.

Indeed he was, for the very day he received my letter he had just heard an evp voice. A friend of his, Mr Salisbury, had recorded this voice accidentally. Mr Salisbury had played his parents a tape with the Beatles tune "Help" and when it had finished he decided to record his parents talking (without them knowing). He didn't play it back until a few weeks later and when he did he discovered a deep male voice on it almost totally masking the parents voice's. The voice said :

"Rink cinema, Silverdale, Queens Hall, Sydenham Road, Penge Empire and the Lewisham Hippodrome, our school games were fag cards, paint..."

and there it vanishes. This made no sense either to Mr Salisbury, his parents or Mr English. But perhaps the most important question is not what the voice means but how it got through so clearly just then? Was there some keying sound in the music "Help" - a certain sequence of notes or chords which linked the two worlds together? One is reminded of the call tune used in the film "Close encounters of the third kind" where 5 electronic notes are sent out to contact a UFO. For music is not only international but interplanetary as well. Richard Sheargold said that some of Raymond Cass voices reminded him in rhythm of those electronic jingles played between news items on European radio stations. Five or more electronic notes played as a jingle. And in "Voices of the dead?" by Susy Smith she writes about various accounts of music received by researchers whilst recording. In one account the notes CCAGE are repeated three times, being sung by a choir.

Is there anything in all this? I think so and I am going to continue work on it. For if the voice was paranormal it was of A plus quality being louder than the parents. If anyone would like a copy of this voice Mr English will send you a copy if you send him a tape and three 7p stamps. His address is : 16 Gleneagles Road, Great Sutton, Wirral, Cheshire L66 4NE. I would like to thank Mr English for his co operation and kindness in his help.

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Peter Tyler :

I find it intriguing that Tony Williamson has been receiving a voice that seems to be calling my name. Assuming that I am the only Peter Tyler with an active interest in EVP research. If Tony has recorded the voice prior to the first issue of the newsletter he would have been unaware of both my name and interest. This I think would point to an independent intelligence behind the voice, rather than an unconscious thought impressing onto the magnetic particles of the tape. So as Tony suggest it may well be a form of link up. Tony please, it would be interesting if you could encourage the entity to disclose his or her name. Their is I think, a connection between the researchers own psyche and the production or amplification of the voice phenomenon. This I believe accounts for the variable results acheived by individual researchers. From my own weak and somewhat spasmodic material, to the clear articulate voices recorded by Friedrich Jurgenson and others. Also it would seem paranormal voices are generated within the environment of the experimenter as opposed to a transmission. By saying this I do not mean to imply that the EVP is a creation of the unconscious mind, but possibly incipient mediumship. Whatever lies behind the voice phenomenon, it certainly challenges our orthodox view of physical space.

Richard C Smith - Introductory piece.

I am sixty years of age and a Hospital Administrator. I am also a Spiritualist, a trance medium and a healer. Isn't it ironic that I will soon be retiring on health grounds due to osteoarthritis? My interest in the EVP began in 1974 and it was three years before hearing my first voice so I'm a long way from the ten thousand of Gilbert Bonner. Nor have I managed to obtain dialogue yet but am always experimenting to this end. I am still not convinced that the voices we hear are those of the dead but against this I have the voice of a friend calling my name which really made me sit up because she died about two years ago and the voice is unmistakably hers. However I'm a born sceptic so until voice printing equipment is cheap enough to prove one way or the other I will maintain my position sitting on the psychic fence. I am using quite a range of equipment, a stereo reel/reel recorder, two cassetter recorders, home made diode receiver (which gives the clearest results) plus a range of receivers covering frequencies from 1.5 to 200 mhz. I have not found one particular frequency to be critical for voice reception since the voices are heard via radio, diode, or microphone. I have one or two ideas up my sleeve and will keep you posted with my results in due course. I have never received polyglot voices.

Reply to Mr Andrews' article, "Thoughts on Survival" by Richard Smith.

I should be glad to have this opportunity to come back to Mr Andrews in respect of his article heade "Thoughts on Survival" in the June Issue. I am a trance medium and have raised with my Guide the question raised by Mr Andrews in his penultimate paragraph. The job of a Guide is to help and instruct his vessel in Spiritual matters, which does not include the winner of the Derby, stocks and shares, should I divorce him? and so on. I have asked my Guide to assist me with my ex-

periments in the EVP but on more than one occasion he has said that (a) this is not his province and (b) these are the voices of souls who are earth attracted but not earth bound and furthermore, I will not learn anything from them. I am naturally disappointed with this reply but accept it more as time goes by. When visiting Mr Barbanell I was fortunate enough to listen to Silver Birch and in time I was allowed to ask him a question. I then suggested to Silver Birch that perhaps the day would come when we could use the tapes as a method of communication with Spirit. His reply was kindly but firm. Love is the channel which permits communication between this world and the next and this will never be substituted by an machine. I shrank into my seat for I had been told this many times by my own Guides before, and of course the truth of this is evident. I hope this will clarify the questions Mr Andrews has raised. Since one often comes across "jokers" when using the glass and cards, I suggest these often surface with the EVP in the same way. Comments please, someone?

Cyril Luck - 'Reply to "Thoughts on the Survival of death theory in EVP"'

Stanley Andrews certainly used his enforced rest to think of points that would prove of great interest and cause us all to consider carefully before we reach a conclusion that appears to cover the questions he asks.

I personally feel that the entity is near when an experimenter is recording and that it is exercising a control over the experimenters subconscious mind, in other words he is passing the message to the researcher.

If the entity was speaking by way of an ectoplasmic voice box then one would expect the words to be much clearer than any of the examples I have heard, in fact they should be as clear as a direct voice through a Medium.

Manipulating the circuitry of the tape recorder in order to pass a message does not sound impossible and I believe that it is the opinion of Raymond Cass, Michael Vinter etc. that this happens but it could also be that when the message is transmitted to the recording apparatus by the researcher some manipulation of the circuitry is necessary in order to transfer the message to the tape.

How does an entity know when a researcher is going to record?

I have often wondered about this and so far, from what others have said I feel that once you have been contacted by the entity (who has probably become aware of your persistent efforts) you will continue to receive communications providing you adhere to specific times and days.

Perhaps Alan can tell us if the most successful researchers did, or do listen at regular times and certain days.

I gather the question is asked "are these voices on new tapes before being used for EVP experiments" This is open to doubt as so often the researcher asks a question and gets a reply (generally very brief) which

could not be impossible to receive messages (eg Mrs Onesti's tapes) from the same entity on a number of different tapes possibly purchased at different times.

After reading Mrs Daffurns article I begin to lean more and more to Mr Andrews suggestion that the voices are a cry for recognition. Also that as, generally speaking the communications are often singlewords, are erratic, badly phrased etc. this could be an indication that the technical barriers are so far proving very great or that they are attempting to communicate in a manner not approved on thier plane.

I do feel that there could be a very real social danger in mechanical mediumship and for this reason alone I wonder whether the entitiex will ever permit it, as very few people are ready for this.

SUGGESTED AIMS FOR NEWSLETTER READERS.

As we were invited to comment on the aims mentioned in June Newsletter may

I suggest the following as being important :

- 1) To obtain irrefutable proof of the origin of the voices.
- 2) To establish what is required of the researchers or his equipment to ensure reception of voices.
- 3) To obtain recorded two way conversations that provide positive information on the life beyond.
- 4) Having fulfilled items 1-3 to pass the information we have gained to the heads of all religious denominations, scientific institutes and organizations likely to be interested who could if convinced, ensure that the knowledge was gradually spread in the best way possible.

Cyril Luck.

Conspiracy of Silence - John Ducroy, 1977. Sent by Gilbert Bonner.

Dr K Raudive who did so much pioneer work on the electronic voices was twice visited by American engineers working on the space project who carefully examined his research data. Soviet scientists have picked up signals from outer space and the Americans have admitted that by using what are called biotransducers apparently intelligent signals have been monitored from space. John Keel states that the NASA space probes have been constantly troubled by radio transmissions of strange voices often speaking in unknown languages. Is this the polyglot speech of the taped voices or something entirely different? Bonner has pointed out that he feels we should be careful at this stage not to confuse signals from some extraterrestrial beings who could well exist in outer space, with the voice phenomena. In an unpublished thesis, he has however referred to the dates of the first space probes by man in 1957 about the time voices were first (not heard) but recorded and he claims such launchings can effect the balance of the radiation belt that surrounds the earth. He further mentions the effects of the atom bombs detonated high in the atmosphere in August and September of 1958. If accurate his suggestions paint an alarming picture of man's dangerous experiments in space, experiments which states Bonner had drastic effects on telecommunications, and also on the earth's climate. He has on tape, recorded a voice that has told him plainly the distance of the voice entity speaking from the researcher, and this is probably the first such recording giving such definite information, although of course as Bonner points out, amazing as this is,

it is not proof. However much of his recorded material has begun to move to a more constructive level and he does not agree with those voice hunters who claim, the voices never tell one anything. We have to learn patience, be prepared to wait and let the voice entities choose the time. They and they alone Bonner declares will choose when to reveal their secrets, and Ray Cass also feels the time is not yet quite ready, and this is borne out by a major recording company who are holding back the release of two major L.P.'s of Jurgenson's dialogue voice material until they feel the public are educated to understand the full implications of this work.

Around the world this research continues; voices are recorded on tape from space for which there is no logical explanation. Are these the voices of the dead, communications from some extraterrestrial civilisation, or the echoes of our own unconscious. I have heard the voices for myself studied the research data. I know this is THE breakthrough. Nothing will be the same again.

G G Bonner - Replies General.

Polyglot is no longer a characteristic of the EVP. Voices also try and speak more naturally. Sentences of 10 words or so are common.

All the possible angles of the voices have already been written about and considered. Research offers the best answers - not debate.

"The univers is a total construction of waves and vibrations whose inner content is 'meaning' and man is a micro-system of the same vibratory nature floating at some depth in the universal and meaningful wave system. The universal wave system is qualitative or value-structured (this is quantum theory) according to its vibration-rate spectrum (faster frequencies have more information theory)"

David Foster - "The Intelligent Univers)

The study of matter, anti matter, quantum theory, molecular biology, cosmology, relativity, etc have all been part of my research to try and understand the basis in which we could view psychic phenomena free from the occult, mystical, wishy washy, unscientific ideas held by so many in the hope that by presenting scientific grounds for its reality it would gain in acceptance by men of learning. The above quote gives some idea of the implications to man and creation.

In our efforts to try and find a common factor which is resulting in the receipt of class A evp by our most successful researchers it is felt that in addition to analysing the type of equipment used, the time of listening, length of listening period, etc. we should consider all aspects however "wayout" they may seem.

Assuming it is agreed that high frequencies are involved then one is reminded of dogs, bats, etc. who have a hearing range of frequencies way beyond the human ear, from which we could presume they could hear voices transmitted on a higher frequency than we are capable of hearing, and because of the rapport existing between them and their owner, be able to transmit this onto him on a lower frequency, which by amplification through the radio could be recorded. This line of thought has been prompted by instances such as those quoted

below :

Mrs Onesti - London :

Surely a unique experience in evp research is the receipt of voices through her budgerigar(s) and it is surprising this has not caused a great deal more comment.

Michael Vinter - Aylmerton :

Mike has been extremely successful in obtaining a very large number of class A recordings. He cannot explain why he is so successful. He tends with loving care his collection of birds which include two macaws, a parrot, parakeets and budgerigars etc.

Simon Stark - Folkestone.

Mr Stark says he was most successful in obtaining results when he visited a friend in Amsterdam and sat with her and "three huge cats" They received messages for 25 minutes "when they tired and weakened." Simon Stark considers that the cats definitely contributed to the good reception ; to quote him : "at Amsterdam it was bang on straight away".

Perhaps successful researchers could let Alan know details of any pets they have, they may also be able to tell us whether Jurgenson, Raudive etc. have or had any pets or animal contacts.

An open letter to the Editor of the EVP Newsletter.

Dear Mr Cleaver,

Having regard to the Newsletters published so far, and, in particular Issue No 4, may I respectfully draw your attention to the fact that, as I understand it, your original idea was to create a medium to which researchers of supernormal phenomenon could make their respective contributions.

I trust that you will not consider it impertinent of me to point out a number of observations, for no impertinence is intended.

The majority of your contributors, to date, are quite certainly committed psychics, in the sense that they already accept the alleged phenomenon, they refer to as evidential in the sense of personal experience. Psychical research requires team effort of a very wide and varied magnitude, singular personal experience cannot be regarded in any way as having any kind of validity unless it can be examined and summarised collectively.

While I can certainly accept and perhaps to some extent envy one who enjoys and unshakeable belief in the hereafter, or one who enjoys a personal certainty of the audibility of disembodied voices, transmitted by whatever medium, I should make the observation that, while I can certainly understand the bias such a researcher must have, such a bias must surely inhibit the facts and to some extent distort the reality ?

When I last made what was certainly a common sense observation via your Newsletter, your contributor Mr Bonner regarded my efforts as rubbish. While he is, of course, perfectly entitled to air his opinions and to convey his findings, I would say again, this is in no way a practical contribution to psychical research, for Mr Bonner's findings are, or appear to be founded on personal experience. In response to an article by another of your contributors, Mrs Onesti, we duly corresponded. I was informed, after requesting that I may be allowed to examine her findings, that (1) her conclusions were made only after some three months of daily listening, and (2) the dear lady wondered if I possessed the special aural ability required to interpret the phenomena !!!

In my view any researcher who uses such a medium as your otherwise excellent Newsletter should be prepared to allow their respective findings to be put to the test, so to speak, otherwise their respective researches remain nothing more than personal experience.

Psychical Research Societies do not enjoy much popularity with the mass of believers of 'things that go bump in the night', for most believers regard the poor researchers as one who pours scorn and ridicule on the oppressed believer. Not so. The researcher, when conducting his post-mortems simply examines the facts. He holds no brief for or against anything or anyone.

That unexplained phenomena exists, there is no doubt, from the happening of Borley Rectory to the happenings of the Bermuda Triangle. Unexplained happenings have occurred since the days of the Resurrection and before. I have received a number of collective experiences, to which I and my colleagues could find no logic. I have yet to be convinced, however that there exists a hereafter, mechanical voices, or talking budgerigars.

If, as is at present happening, your Newsletter becomes a forum for the committed psychic and to serve as an added communication between the communicant and the fourth dimension, or however it is regarded, then find, but I prefer to believe that your original idea, Mr Editor, was to establish a platform for researchers to present their respective unbiased ideas and opinions?

Don George. 7 June 1978.

Reply :

The object of the newsletter is to join together all people interested in the evp. And if any of these people think they have something of interest to offer it is printed. It would be impossible for any article, even if straight forward facts, to be unbiased. Many societies have attempted to be scientific but they cannot succeed. Merely by being scientific they are operating a bias against subjectivity. And they are also biased because they believe that "bias" is wrong.

Not necessarily.

As you say many of the readers already expect the evp as genuine so operating a bias. They (the majority) accept it as genuine because they have either by experiment or research decided it is genuine. It would be absurd to investigate, believe genuine, but then take a 'sitting on the fence' attitude merely to remain unbiased!

I prefer not to be called an Editor because I don't edit; I publish all. That way a collection of bias is built up and a reader can decide for himself what to accept. A completely "Spiritual" paper would be as wrong as a completely scientific paper.

Not all are "committed psychics" - but with a membership of under 50 of course there is an unequal representation. Membership is increasing and hopefully with it a more equal representation.

With regard to your last paragraph: I didn't know entities from the fourth dimension read the newsletter but if they do could they please send their subs straight away !!!

Alan - Compiler, of Newsletter.

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